GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
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EXPORT OF KNITWEAR
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by the Government to achieve the knitwear export target fixed during each of the last three years and thereafter;

(b) whether the Government proposes to improve and develop the infrastructure to compete with China, Japan and other countries in global market; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and alongwith the funds allocated for the purpose during the Eleventh Plan Period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) to (c): The Government has taken a number of measures for enabling the textiles industry, including the knitwear industry, to achieve the export targets. These include extension of the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme for modernization of machinery and acquiring state of the art technology and the Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks for equipping the industry with world class infrastructure. The Working Group on Textiles and Jute industry has recommended an outlay of Rs.3000 crores for the Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks during Eleventh Five Year Plan. An outlay of Rs.450 crore has been provided for the Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks during 2007-08.

In addition, the Government has extended a package of concessions to the textiles sector which include enhancement in duty drawback rates and DEPB rates. Government is also providing funds to the sector under Market Development Assistance Scheme and Market Access Initiative Scheme, whereby funds have been provided to the knitwear sector for promotional activities and for reimbursement to exporters for participation in trade fairs and exhibitions abroad.